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Stocks Generally Close With Net Gains in Spite of Profit Taking.

TRADING SLOWING DOWN

Southern Pacific and Union Pacific Lead Movement in Rail Securities.

20%

95%

The momentum of the buying move-13 8016 ment in the stock market which followed the Suprems Court's favorable decision in the stock dividend case showed indi-cations of having pretty well spent itself by the time the heavy overnight de-mand for stocks had been satisfied at the outset yesterday morning, with the result that the market settled back to result that the market settled back to live in the afternoon to absorb profits. It is selling was further augmented by fresh pressure on the part of the bear party or at least that part of the bear 243 contingent which has not yet been con-vinced that the market has turned the corner. But the realizing was absorbed with surprising ease, although not without some recessions on the part of the leading speculative issues. However, considering the advance which has been experienced and the space of time involved in marking prices upward, the market acted a good deal better than most people expected. There were some stocks, of course, which closed the day veryweak, but generally speaking the active shares finished with net gains.

Quite naturally, with the slowing down in the trading in the industrial stocks.

came a disposition to swing over into the ralls, which has not fully appreciated 99% 181 the importance of the decision from the Supreme Court on the previous day with respect to determining valuations for rate making purposes. As usual the movement in the rails did not go as far as expected, but this fact dis not change in the least the opinion which conservative people have formed of what the decision means to the railroads in the banking circles to be equally as far reaching if not more so than was the decision with regard to stock dividends, particularly in view of the fact that it comes at a time when it is likely to be of most benefit to the roads in de-termining rate making under the new railroad bill. It will, of course, take some time for statistical experts to figure out just what it means to the roads, and undoubtedly it will be found to be of nore benefit to some roads than others, but there is no question as to its benefit to the roads of the East, which have erected large terminals which could not be duplicated to-day at more than double

their original cost.

There was another wild outburst of buying at the outset which carried stocks of the type of General Motors, Crucible and others up sharply again. But when this buying, which represented belated out of town covering on the part of peo-ple who could not get in touch with the market on the previous day on account of wire troubles, had been completed, the market showed a disposition to ease off. Stocks like General Motors, Crucible and others came back sharply from the high, and with the falling off of interest in this direction attention shifted into the rail-road shares. This movement was led by Southern Pacific and Union, which, besides reflecting the decision with regard to valuations, have also possibilities under the stock dividend ruling. But other railroad stocks were not far be-hind. Atchison, New York Central, Reading and others were very strong at all times, but there was nothing of spe-This was disappointing, for it will be remembered that these are the stocks which Wall Street has been talking

There was no special change in the money situation, nor is there expected to be until the March 15 tax instalment been completed. Bankers admit 180 1/4 185 has been completed. Bankers admit that the money situation is on the road to improvement, but they can see no reason why money should get below the figures quoted yesterday and the day before until this important event is out of the way. The financial community, however, was much gratified over the confirmation received with respect to the report that gold shipments would be resumed on a large scale within the next few weeks. This is the next big development in connection with the st :k market, for it is realized that as soon as gold begins to arrive on a large scale it will afford instant relief in the money market. The announcement with respect to gold shipment quite naturally found 180 reflection in the foreign exchange markets, where sterling advanced sharply again. Other exchanges were quiet, al-

MONEY AND EXCHANGE.

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES.

Tuesday, March 9, 1920.

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GOSSIP OF WALL STREET.

Constructive Factors. Wall Street has been under the whip for the last forty-eight hours and has not fully digested the happenings of the last few days. Market factors have

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The report of the unfilled tonnage of

prises for Wall Street, because all of its figures have been made public in quarterly statements. The remarks of Judge Gary on the year's business and the outlook for 1920 and constructive plans of NY City 41/2 57 the corporation's expansion, to be anwill make interesting literature for the Street to peruse. A compilation of the corporation's quarterly reports issued during 1919 showed total earnings for the year, after charges and taxes, of \$77,083,160, equivalent, after deduction of preferred dividends, to \$10.20 a share on its common stock. In 1918 the balance available for dividends after all charges was \$137,552,377, or \$19.69 share on the common.

canded on August 31 a charce. In the five years ended on August 31 Cruetile earned approximately \$170 a share on its common stock after all charges and preferred dividends.

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\$8,113,000 \$9,930,000 piled up with such amazing rapidity and the financial fraternity has been so mixed up over the error in the stock dividend case that the builish factors have not by any means been discounted. First and most important, of course, was the decision of the United States Superson Court in the stock dividend tax case. Of probable equal importance was the decision of the British Government to ship gold to this centre to aid in the RANGE OF LIBERTY BONDS.

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BID AND ASKED QUOTATIONS. N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS. sion was favorable to such a distribution would be 100 per cent. Directors meet in Pittaburg on March 18 to consider the problem. Stock to the amount of the \$25,000,000 common authorization a few weeks ago. Whatever the amount of the stock dividend, it is predicted that the new cash rate will be considerably more than the 13 per cent. now paid on the fiscal year endat. The financial district heard yesterday UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT BONDS.

stock dividend, it is predicted that the new cash rate will be considerably more than the 12 per cent. now paid on the junior issue. Net for the corporation's fiscal year ended on August 31 was more than 331 a share. In the five years ended on August 31 Crucible earned approximately \$170 a share on its common stock after all charges and preferred dividends.

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